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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, enclosed please find a completed PTO-1449 form citing references submitted for consideration during examination of the above-referenced patent application. A copy of each of the references cited therein is also enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return the enclosed PTO-1449 form in order to indicate that each of the references listed thereon has been considered in connection with the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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